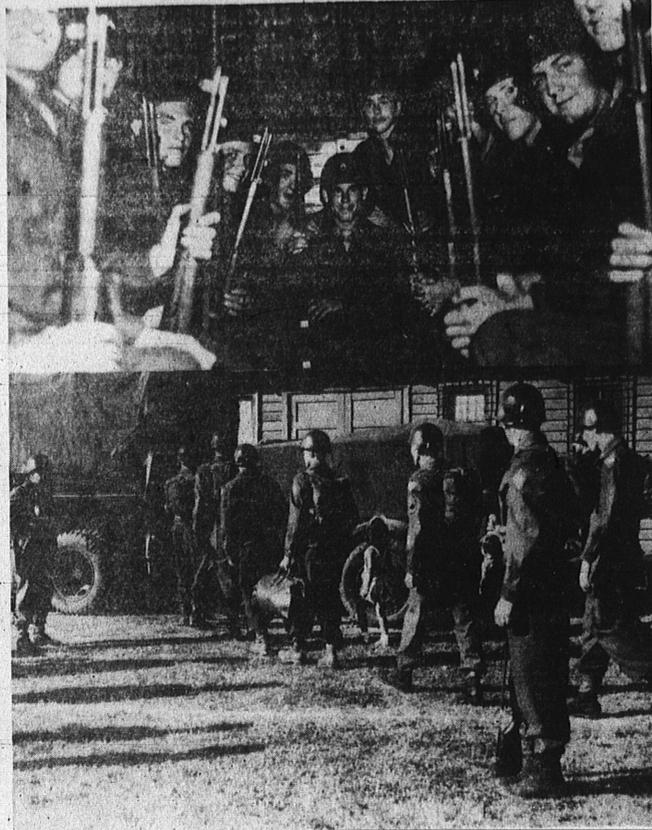


BOOM TOWN . . . Camera Tour of the city's 19-square miles shows building of new residential units are under way throughout the entire area. Top view; Seaside Ranchos—40 units. Second photo shows part of 17 homes under construction at 172nd and Crenshaw boulevard. Third photo is partial view of 126 two-bedroom homes going up on 182nd near Hawthorne boulevard. Fourth view is of the curved street in Pacific Hills where 59 homes are being rushed to completion by K. Sande Senness. Bottom photo was snapped of the first units of John Kettler's new development of 114 homes north of the present Kettler Knolls section.—Herald photos.

RUMBLE OF NEW BUILDING BOOM GROWING LOUDER

The clang of hammers and the twang of electric skill saws are joining the clatter of Torrance's latest building boom. Being rushed to completion are actually 284 new homes—all within the city's boundaries. Still more are to come with builders revealing a total of 424 two- and three-bedroom homes on the drafting board. Largest tract under construction at the moment is 128 being built by C. F. Steiner, Downey contractor, at 182nd street and Hawthorne boulevard. W. H. Tolson, sales representative says the two-bedroom homes priced at approximately \$6,000 will be completed by the first of the year. The first home in the large tract will be ready for occupancy in about two weeks, he indicated. Due for a formal opening next weekend is the first of 59 homes now under construction in Pacific Hills in South Torrance. K. Sande Senness, pioneer developer in Southern California announced he had an additional 208 two- and three-bedroom homes planned for the tract located near Newton and Madison streets near Newton and Madison merly part of the Weston ranch. John Kettler, developer and builder of the Kettler Knolls



TORRANCE'S OWN . . . crowd into National Guard trucks for the first leg of journey to San Luis Obispo for two-week training camp. All citizen-soldiers are members of the 578th Combat Engineers with headquarters at the Torrance Municipal Airport.—Herald photos.

COMBAT ENGINEERS ON NAT. GUARD MANEUVERS

Approximately 30 National guardsmen from Torrance and Lomita are now taking part in what is probably Southern California's greatest peace-time troop maneuvers. The Torrance-Lomita unit comprising Company A of the 578th Engineers under the command of Capt. A. Gilp and Lt. Jesse Ball, executive officer of the company, left here last Saturday night as citizen-soldiers of the 49th Infantry Division of the National Guard and embarked for their second post-war field training exercises at Camp San Luis Obispo. The company entrained at the Union Depot in Los Angeles at 7:30 p.m. following muster at the Torrance City Park at 4 p.m. and mess at the Torrance Municipal Airport, from where they departed by bus for Los Angeles. Maj. Gen. Daniel H. Hudelson said that he estimates about 6,500 troops will take part in the two-week exercises, which wind up July 24. "We have a basically good division in camp—we'll bring a better one back," Hudelson said. Hudelson added, "Qualification of all personnel in firing of their weapons—pistols or 155 mm. howitzers—is, of course, a first order of business."

LEGION DANCE SATURDAY

Bert S. Crossland Post 170, of the American Legion will play host to members of the community at a dance Saturday evening at the American Legion clubhouse, stated Lyle O'Hara, publicity chairman. O'Hara said that guest cards were mailed early in the week. The new Legion clubhouse is located at 1109 Border avenue.

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'Lovers' Lane' Hero Reported Improving

Condition of Alwyn "Sonny" Ivers, 19, was reported as "very good" yesterday by attendants at the California Lutheran hospital. The youth, who July 3 married 16-year-old Betty Bowen, a cashier at the Ideal Ranch Market here, underwent an operation late last week to reconstruct his shattered jaw. Young Ivers was shot in the jaw and neck July 1 in protecting his fiancée; now his wife, from a bandit whom he killed with the attacker's own weapon. The incident, which took place in Baldwin Hills, was ruled "justifiable homicide" by a coroner's jury at an inquest held last Friday. Betty, stepdaughter of Gust Drake, operator of the vegetable market at the Ideal Ranch Market, was principal witness at the inquest. She related how they had parked to talk over their wedding plans, when the gunman appeared, demanded money and then said, "I want your girl." Ivers fought the attacker and was shot in the mouth, but managed to get the assailant's gun and shot him. Betty helped her sweetheart by heating the attacker.

Talent Shows Slated at Six Centers

The Summer Recreation Program has slated talent shows tomorrow at each of the six centers, announced Rex Welch, director. The shows, which will include variety acts, of singing and dancing will be presented by local talent from each of the centers. Welch disclosed that registration in the city-wide program had mounted this week to more than 834. The Fern Avenue School center this week reported the largest attendance, as some 200 children sought recreation there. This marked the fifth week of the program.

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